Inough Approved for use through 10,31/2002. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE k Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. Application Number 09/940,643 Filing Date August 29, 2001 APR 1 5 2004 First Named Inventor SHIN KITAMURA **EXAMINATION (RCE)** Group Art Unit 2831 RANSMITTAL Examiner Name **ADOLFO NINO** Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000 provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. Attorney Docket Number 03500.015729. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA). This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a. Previously submitted Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_ i. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on iii.  $\mathbf{x}$ Enclosed i. **Preliminary Amendment** ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iii. Other Information Disclosure Statement iv. Miscellaneous 2. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. Fees The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 04/16/2004 SZEUDIE1 00000003 09940643 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:1801 770.00 OP iii. Other X Check in the amount of \$ 770.00 + \$258.00 (additional Claims Fee) is enclosed

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Application No.: 09/940,643

Filed: August 29, 2001

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Group Art Unit: 2831

For: ELECTRON EMITTING DEVICE, ELECTRON

SOURCE, IMAGE-FORMING APPARATUS, AND

METHOD FOR PRODUCING ELECTRON-EMITTING

DEVICE AND ELECTRON-EMITTING APPARATUS Date: April 14, 2004

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A Request For Continued Examination (RCE) and an Information

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